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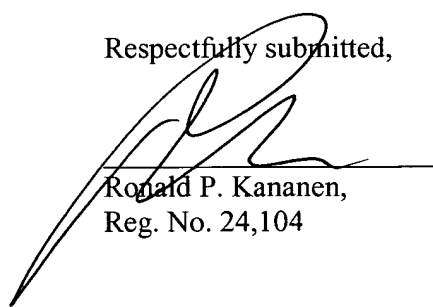
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Sir:

Please inform the undersigned when the initial Action on the merits of the above-identified application may be expected. The application has now been pending approximately 43 months without an action on the merits.

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